

OFFICE OF QUALITY PROFESSIONALS
Summary of State Board of Education Items
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EDUCATOR LICENSURE

Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act Process: To Approve a Change to the Licensure Guidelines for Supplemental Endorsements added by Middle Grade Institutes as Recommended by the Commission on Teacher and Administrator Education, Certification and Licensure Development

Specifications:

On July 11, 2008, the Certification Commission approved a change to the licensure guidelines for adding middle grade 7-8 supplemental endorsements by completion of a Middle Grade Institute. The recommendation to the State Board revises the current policy for adding Language Arts 7-8 or Social Studies 7-8 to a standard license.

Background Information:

After the implementation of No Child Left Behind federal regulations for highly qualified teachers, the State Board approved Middle Grade Institutes in Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies for grades 7-8. These institutes allowed Elementary Education and Special Education teachers to complete institutes that would add middle grade subject endorsements to their license and make them highly qualified to meet NCLB guidelines. The MG Institutes were approved by MDE and conducted statewide during 2003-2005. For the last two years, MDE has not conducted any MG Institutes but this guideline still existed in policy. The Office of Curriculum & Instruction awarded grant monies in collaboration with higher education institutions to host Math and Science Partnerships. Mississippi school districts could apply for these Math & Science Partnerships to get their teacher trained. These Math & Science teachers were also approved to receive the Middle grade Math or Science endorsements that completed this training.

Because the Middle grade 7-8 endorsements in Math & Science are still being awarded through the Math and Science Partnership program, the Commission recommendation to the Board is to remove the Language Arts and Social Studies as there are no institutes being offered for these areas any longer.

Middle Grade 7-8 subjects Language Arts, Science, Math and Social Studies can now be added to a standard license by passing the Praxis II tests validated in these subjects.

Backup documentation:

Page 30 of the Licensure Guideline book shows how supplemental endorsements are added to a standard license. If approved, this page will be revised as shown.

APPENDIX A: SUPPLEMENTAL ENDORSEMENTS THAT MAY BE ADDED TO A VALID MISSISSIPPI LICENSE

Supplemental Endorsements Added By Praxis II Specialty
Area Test

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
102	Art Education
181	Biology Education
105	Business
185	Chemistry
119	English
130	French
134	German
208	Hearing Disability K-12
322	Home Economics
147	Technology Education
440	Library/Media
318	Marketing
154	Mathematics
901	Math 7-8
902	Language Arts 7-8
903	Social Studies 7-8
904	Science 7-8
166	Music Education
144	Physical Education
189	Physics
192	Social Studies
140	Spanish
221	Special Education (Mildly/Moderately Disabled—K-12)
910	Special Education Fundamental Subjects
196	Speech Communications
218	Visually Impaired K-12

Supplemental Endorsements

**Added by Completion of Approved Program
(Institutional Program Verification required)**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
111	Computer Applications
114	Driver Education
117	Elementary Education (4-8)
143	Health Education
150	Nursery-Grade 1 (N-1)
152	Elementary Education (K-4)
174	Remedial Reading
177	English as a Second Language
182	Physical Science
207	Gifted
208	Hearing Impaired (K-12)
218	Visually Impaired (K-12)
221	Mild/Moderate Disability (K-12)
222	Severe Disability (K-12)
223	added to 221 only
223	Mild/Moderate Disability (K-8)
224	added to elementary only
224	Mild/Moderate Disability (7-12)
310	added to secondary or special subject license only
310	Business & Computer Technology (only added to 105)
314	Vocational Guidance(added only to 436)
317	Cooperative Education(added to vocational license only)
328	Child Care (only added to 322 or 321—Home Economics)
329	Aging Services (only added to 322 or 321—Home Economics)
330	Clothing (only added to 322 or 321—Home Economics)
331	Food Production, Management, and Services (only added to 322 or 321—Home Economics)
440	Library/Media

Supplemental Endorsements

**Added with 18 Hours in Area Prior to September 1,
2004 and 21 Hours in Area After September 1, 2004
(Course work must have a grade of "C" or higher)**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
102	Art Education
104	Bible
105	Business Education
119	English
123	Drama (Performing Arts)
130	French
134	German
135	Latin
136	Italian
139	Russian
140	Spanish
144	Physical Education
149	Journalism
154	Mathematics
165	Music Education Instrumental
166	Music Education Vocal
171	Psychology
181	Biology
185	Chemistry
188	General Science
189	Physics
192	Social Studies
196	Speech Communications
302	Agriculture
318	Marketing
322	Home Economics

Supplemental Endorsements

Added by Completion of

MDE Approved Module, Course or Workshop

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
981	Information & Comm. Technology I
982	Information & Comm. Technology II
983	STEM – Science, Tech., Engineering & Math
992	Agri & Envir Sci/Tech
994	Technology Applications
995	Work-Based Learning
996	Career Discovery
997	Computer Discovery
998	Technology Discovery

**Supplemental Endorsements
Added by Completion of MDE Approved
Middle Grade Professional Development Institute
Middle Grade Math or Science Institute(s)**

<u>CODE</u>	<u>AREA</u>
Added to Elementary licenses:	
901	Math 7-8
902	Language Arts 7-8
903	Social Studies 7-8
904	Science 7-8
Added to Special Education licenses :	
905	Math 7-8 (Sped only)
906	Language Arts 7-8 (Sped only)
907	Social Studies 7-8 (Sped only)
908	Science 7-8 (Sped only)

*(Endorsements from Institutes can only be added to an
Elementary or Special Education license)*